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Attorney Docket No.  
551-002-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the matter of: Johan Sundström  
Serial No.: 10/531,003  
Filed: April 11, 2005  
For: PROCESS AND PLANT FOR MANUFACTURING FINE IRON AND  
STEEL POWDERS, FINE IRON AND STEEL POWDERS AND USE OF  
POWDERS MANUFACTURED BY THE PROCESS  
Examiner: Kathleen A. McNelis  
Art Unit: 1742

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The Office Action requiring restriction has been received and its contents carefully noted.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following groups:

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Janet Hames 11/9/06  
Janet Hames Date

Group I drawn to a process for manufacturing an iron or steel powder where an iron based raw material is nitrided with ammonia gas, milled to desired size, then denitrided to a fine iron or steel powder; and


Group II drawn to a plant for manufacturing an iron or steel powder where an iron based raw material is nitrided with ammonia gas, milled to desired size, then denitrided to a fine iron or steel powder.

A provisional election to prosecute Group I is hereby made without traverse.

In view of the above, it is believed that the Group I claims in the application are ready for examination and early action in that regard is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 11/8/06

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